

DEWITT SCHOOL BOARD

June 14, 2016

The Board of Directors of the DeWitt School District met in its regular monthly meeting on June 14, 2016, in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Brad Koen. Others present were Secretary Shawanna Wansley and Board Members Kenneth Graves, April Herring, and Johnny Lockley, along with Superintendent Dr. Lynne Dardenne. Bruce Morgan and Drew Whiting were absent.

Agenda – A motion was made by Mr. Graves to add item O Purchase of Computers to the agenda. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 5-0. (7:01 p.m.)

Consent Agenda

Minutes - A motion was made by Mrs. Herring to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on May 10, 2016, and the called meetings on May 17 and June 2, 2016. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 5-0. (7:05 p.m.)

Financial – Mr. Graves made a motion to approve the June financial report as presented. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 5-0. (7:05 p.m.)

2017-18 Annual Budget of Expenditures – A motion was made by Mr. Lockley to adopt the attached Proposed Budget of Expenditures with Tax Levy for Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2017, to and including June 30, 2018, and to approve all related election documents. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 5-0. (7:08 p.m.)

Construction Update – An update on the construction of the new middle school was given by project superintendent Sheldon Griffis. (7:10 p.m.)

Pre-Kindergarten Position – A motion was made by Mrs. Herring to approve the recommendation to create a position of Pre-Kindergarten Family Service Manager/Education and Transition Specialist. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 5-0. (7:21 p.m.)

ASBA Policy Updates – Mr. Lockley made a motion to approve the following ASBA policy updates as recommended; 1.14, 1.16, 1.17, 1.19, 4.4, 4.7, 4.12, 4.13, 4.22, 4.30, 4.34, 4.37, 4.40, 4.41, 4.45, 4.45.1, 4.47, 4.50, 4.56, 5.2, 5.8, 5.11, 5.15, and 5.29. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 5-0. (7:38 p.m.)

I-Ready Math and Literacy Software – A motion was made by Mr. Lockley to approve the recommendation to purchase the I-Ready Math and Literacy software for DES at a cost of \$21,400.00 plus tax from Curriculum Associates. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 5-0. (7:41 p.m.)

Pre-K Handbooks – Mrs. Herring made a motion to approve the Pre-K handbooks for the DES and GES pre-school programs as presented. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 5-0. (7:47 p.m.)

ABC Pre-School Location – A motion to relocate the Gillett ABC to the main building was made by Mr. Graves. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 5-0. (7:53 p.m.)

Pre-K Para-Professional Evaluation Instrument - Mrs. Wansley made a motion to approve the pre-k para-professional evaluation instrument as presented. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 5-0. (7:55 p.m.) (copy attached)

Occupational Therapy Contract – A motion to approve the Occupational Therapy contract with Therapy Possibilities, Inc. for 2016-17 was made by Mrs. Herring. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 5-0. (7:58 p.m.)

Math Curriculum - A motion was made by Mr. Lockley to approve the purchase of Eureka Math from TLI Print to support the math curriculum at a cost of \$20,787.00 + tax. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 5-0. (8:00 p.m.)

Building Plaques - Mrs. Herring made a motion to approve plaques for the new middle school as presented with the addition of Barry Joe Wilson to the board member list. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 5-0. (8:03 p.m.)

Transfer Funds – A motion was made by Mrs. Herring to approve the request to transfer any operating funds which can be counted for the legal ending balance, in excess of the 2015 legal ending balance to be moved from the operating fund to the building fund. Second by Mrs. Graves. Motion carried 5-0. (8:05 p.m.)

Flooring in Agri Building and Gym – Mrs. Herring made a motion to grant the request to bid for flooring in the agri building and gym. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 5-0. (8:06 p.m.)

TLI Contract Renewal – Mr. Graves made a motion to renew the contract with TLI for 2016-17 at a cost of \$38,319.00 which is an increase of \$3,000.00 over 2015-16 and will be paid with NSLA funds. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 5-0. (8:10 p.m.)

Vehicle and Property Insurance – A motion was made by Mr. Graves to renew vehicle and property insurance for 2016-17 through Arkansas Insurance Department Risk Management Division at a cost of the following:

Fleet	\$15,378.00
Property	\$73,111.02

Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 5-0. (8:12 p.m.)

Purchase of Computers – Mrs. Herring made a motion to purchase forty-six computers at a cost of \$52,847.61 plus shipping. Second by Mr. Lockley. Motion carried 5-0. (8:14 p.m.)

Superintendent's Report

Construction Financial Report - \$10,338,846.00-earmarked for project/\$8,702,700.00 –guaranteed max on P.E./safe room.

Grant Update

Monsanto	\$19,600.00	Lead the Way
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables		
Lennox	\$5,000.00	for Robotics
School Board Election		September 20
Air conditioner for DHS kitchen		

The Board went into executive session at 8:35 p.m. for the consideration of personnel. After coming out of executive session at 9:00 p.m. and declaring itself to be in open session, the following action was taken.

Employment

Mr. Graves made a motion to accept the recommendation to employ Alisa Wyatt as fourth grade teacher at DES. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Graves made a motion to employ Jennifer Clifton as elementary special education teacher on an ALP. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Graves to employ Carrie Ashcraft as Pre-K Family Service Manager/Education and Transition Specialist. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 5-0.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Lockley. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 5-0.

DATE APPROVED _____

BRAD KOEN, PRESIDENT

SHAWANNA WANSLEY, SECRETARY